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Minutes of the Meeting of the Senate of the Faculty

Extraordinary Meeting, Thursday, May 9, 2002 7:00 p.m., Room 106, Law Center

Meeting called to order with a quorum at 7 p.m.

Present: E. Acevedo, D. Adler, M. Aiken, A. Ajootian, J. Bentley, N. Bercaw, L. Bombelli, C. Brower, W. Chen, R. Elam, J. Ford, K. P. George, G. Herrera, K. Knight, P. Malone, A. Mark, C. Ochs, R. Oliphant-Ingham, A. Quinney, D. Rock, B. Smothers, M. Tew, A. Trefzer, J. Urgo, C. West, N. Wiggers, D. Wilkins

Absent: B. Alidaee*, J. Aubrey*, D. Barker*, L. Cozad, J. Czarnetzky, S. Davis*, K. Dellinger*, C. Eagles, A. Fisher-Wirth, A. Kishk, F. Laurenzo, J. Martin*, M. Overby, J. Reid*, J. Schetz, K. Sufka*, K. Swinden*, S. Wolcott*, M. Zarzeski, J. Zjawiony

*Prior notification

I. Announcement

Chair Donna Adler announced that she will be in Oxford this summer and will encourage the committee chairs to following through on Senate project begun this term.

II. Old Business

The Minutes of the April 18, 2002 Senate meeting were approved without dissent
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III. New Business

A. Business School Procedure Update, Senator Tew

- Following the letter from the Senate to the Provost [*see April 2002 minutes*], substantial changes were made to the Provost's procedure which now more closely follows the Faculty Senate original procedure.
- Dean Harvey held a meeting of the School of Business Administration faculty to discuss the procedure prior to the ballot.
- Last Friday the Provost, Mark Tew representing the Faculty Senate, and a representative from the School of Business Administration met to review and comment on the procedure.
- The Chancellor intends to leave the offices of the Economics faculty in Holman Hall, no matter the outcome of the vote. The Provost thought this information should be included on the ballot; it was.
- The Provost wanted to conduct the election out of the Office of the Provost instead of having the completed ballots sent to the Faculty Senate; Tim Warren will receive the ballots.
- Campus mail was deemed unreliable, and that ballots will be walked across the street to the Lyceum.
- Donna Adler, Tim Warren, and Mark Tew will count the ballots together.
- It was determined that Faculty on leave can still vote; however, if someone has officially resigned from the Faculty, they may not vote.
- The ballots were distributed on Friday.
- Many of the School of Business Administration faculty are upset with the Senate, primarily about the way the abstentions will be counted, of which there are only three so far.

B. Report on Honor's College, Chair Donna Adler

Some highlights from External Committee's report

- Re: the evaluation process of the Director: the external committee seriously suggests regular evaluations and a mentoring process.
- Re: search for a new Director: the search should be a serious nation-wide search and the external committee questions limiting terms as the University; may not be able to attract top candidates
- To view the complete report of the McDonnell-Barksdale Honors College: External Evaluation, from the National College Honors Council [click here](#) PDF file.

C. Status of Standing Committee Appointments, Chair Donna Adler

The chair of the Committee on Committees is the person who asks the Faculty which committees they would like to be on; then a slate is drawn up and brought back to the Senate in April for approval. Terms begin on September 1, 2002. This has not been done.

Senator Mark moved that the Senate authorize the Executive Committee to approve the slate submitted by the Committee on Committees over the summer. Second Senator Elam. The motion passed without dissent.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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